

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Application for Mediators

Please complete the entire application, using additional paper if necessary. You may also attach a resume.

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ADMISSIONS AND AFFILIATIONS

Date admitted to the Bar of the District of South Carolina: _____ I.D. No.: _____
Date admitted to the South Carolina Bar: 6/01 (Associate member) Bar No.: 69596
Other courts or jurisdictions to which admitted (with dates of admission and bar nos.):
Georgia - 602900 - admitted 1969
Memberships and positions held in bar, ADR and professional associations: Former member -
American Arbitration Association.

Are you a member in good standing in each jurisdiction where admitted to practice law? ☒ yes ☐ no

Are you currently the subject of any pending disciplinary proceeding in any jurisdiction? ☐ yes ☒ no

Have you, within the last 5 years, been denied admission to a bar for character or ethical reasons or disciplined for professional misconduct? ☐ yes ☒ no

EDUCATION

Year law degree received 1968 Law School Emory Law School
Other professional degrees received (including year and school) _____

LEGAL EXPERIENCE (A minimum of 5-years of law practice required)

Summarize legal experience (including teaching) since admission to the bar, particularly in the past five years:

A general Practice with a small Atlanta, Ga, Firm, with emphasis on litigation, Securities work, Real Estate and Development law, Construction disputes, taxation, and Contract disputes.

The last five years, the emphasis was on Bank closings (lending), Probate, and general litigation.

Percentage of practice in last 5 years representing plaintiff 50 % or defense 50 %

Percentage of Federal or State court practice in last 5 years: Federal 20 % State 80 %

Number of years engaged in active litigation: 25

EXPERTISE

Indicate all substantive areas in which you have expertise. Place a "1" by your strongest area(s) and a "2" by all other areas in which you have expertise. (Do not rank beyond "1" and "2.") After any category you have marked, please identify any sub-areas of expertise you have (e.g. "medical malpractice" after Personal Injury):

<input type="checkbox"/> Admiralty	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1 Security or Shareholders suits
<input type="checkbox"/> Antitrust	<input type="checkbox"/> Labor
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 Contracts	<input type="checkbox"/> ERISA
<input type="checkbox"/> Environment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 Wrongful Termination
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 Fraud or Civil RICO	<input type="checkbox"/> Civil Rights in Employment
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 Insurance	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Civil Rights
<input type="checkbox"/> Miller Act	<input type="checkbox"/> Copyrights
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 Personal Injury	<input type="checkbox"/> Patent
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2 Product Liability	<input type="checkbox"/> Trademark
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify) _____	

Publications: _____

MEDIATION EXPERIENCE

Mediation experience (particularly in the subject matter categories above):

mediator in many cases, including contracts, real estate, labor, probate, and securities.

arbitrator in contract disputes, joint venture disputes, and Real estate construction disputes.

Other courts or organizations for whom you serve as a mediator (please note any certifications):

Chatham County, Georgia, Mediation Board
State Bar of Georgia - Mediation Panel
American Arbitration Association - arbitrator

Number of mediations conducted: 25 Number of other ADR sessions conducted: 15

MEDIATION AND OTHER ADR TRAINING

Course Provider	Course Content	Date	Place	No. of Hours
Resolution Resources	mediation	1/93	Atlanta	21
Kennesaw State U.	mediation	9/92	Maricetta, Ga.	8
Kennesaw State U.	mediation	8/94	Maricetta, Ga.	8
American Arbitration Assn.	mediation	3/00	Atlanta, Ga.	2
Ga. State Bar	mediation/professionalism	8/94	Atlanta	2

OTHER INFORMATION

Are you familiar with the statutes, rules and practice governing alternative dispute resolution in the District of South Carolina? ☒ yes ☐ no

Other relevant experience or skills or other information you would like considered in connection with this application:

Cities in which you are available to conduct mediation:

☐ Columbia

☒ Charleston

☐ Greenville

☒ Florence

Other

Myrtle Beach / Georgetown / Beaufort

Fees charged:

Hourly Rate: \$ 175.⁰⁰

Minimum charge each mediation: \$

\$500.

How do you bill for travel? (explain):

50¢ mile, plus meals + lodging

I agree to: (1) Be subject to the Rules of Professional Conduct, Rule 407, South Carolina Appellate Court Rules; the Rules for Lawyer Disciplinary Enforcement, Rule 413, South Carolina Appellate Court Rules; and the Local Rules of the District Court; (2) Provide mediation to indigents without pay if ordered by the Court; (3) Notify the Alternative Dispute Resolution Program Director of any change in the above facts or otherwise in my ability to perform duties as a mediator; (4) Disclosure of information contained in this application to litigants and other members of the public.

I certify that the foregoing is true and correct.

Signature: _____

Applicant

Date: _____

7/29/01

Return completed application to:

Danny H. Mullis, Director
Alternative Dispute Resolution Program
United States District Court
Post Office Box 835
Charleston, SC 29402-0835

Reviewed: _____

ADRP Program

Date: _____

8/10/01

Approved: _____

U.S. District Judge

Date: _____

8/10/01

RESUME - JANUARY 1, 2000

LEON L. RICE, III
2900 Paces Ferry Road, NW
Suite C-2000
Atlanta, Georgia 30339

Admitted to practice law in Georgia 1968

Law practice experience:

Practice: construction law, real estate, corporate, and probate, during the last 30 years

Experience: handled construction and bonding disputes, handled real estate closings (commercial and residential), have drafted joint ventures, syndications and securities offerings, business sales and mergers, have represented estates in caveats and disputes, have formed corporations for real estate development and taxation planning, have represented developers of real estate, handled general construction and development disputes, materialman's liens, and contract disputes

Training: Duke University, AB, 1965
Emory University Law School, JD, 1968
Mediation and arbitration training - Resolution Resources Corporation, Atlanta, Georgia
(21-hour training course, plus update), certified early case evaluator

Previous dispute resolution experience:

Handled mediation and binding arbitration, both as a sole mediator and as one of three arbitrators. Have been arbitrator for American Arbitration Association in Georgia and in the State of Alabama in past cases.

Professional Licensed Attorney - State of Georgia, since 1969.

Personal:

Married, three children
Moving to South Carolina in the year 2000, retiring to do mediation and arbitration in those areas.

Professional Affiliations:

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Lawyers Club of Atlanta
American Bar Association - Real Estate, Probate Section
State Bar of Georgia - Real Estate Section
Rotary Club of Vinings
Vinings Civic Club
Vinings Club

References Available Upon Request.

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Danny H. Mullis
ADR Program
United States District Court
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Charleston, S.C. 29402-0835

Re: Federal ADR program

Dear Danny:

In accordance with our telephone conversation, enclosed is my application to become a member of your panel. As I mentioned, I recently retired (at age 58) to Murrells Inlet after having practiced law with my own small law firm in Atlanta for 31 years. I did a lot of litigation, counseling, and hand holding, and all the other requirements of an attorney who represents individuals and small businesses.

Now, I have time to do other things, and would like to mediate in your court system, having gotten a good taste of it in Georgia. I am an associate member of the South Carolina Bar.

Anything you could do to help me would be appreciated. Please call to tell me the process.

Best personal regards,


Leon L. Rice, III